

# Zach Galifianakis

HOST AND CO-PRODUCER "LATE WORLD WITH ZACH"

SPOTLIGHTS



Many comedians can only dream of being plucked off the comedy circuit and given their own television show. But for Zach Galifianakis, this dream came true when he was chosen to host and co-produce his own late night television show on VH1, *Late World With Zach*.

Born and raised in the small southern town of Wilkesboro, North Carolina, Zach, the middle of three children, would perform skits with his siblings in front of his parents. Zach recalls being funny early on in life and he truly believes that besides collecting firewood, this is the only

thing he's really good at.

Zach attended North Carolina State University pursuing a degree in Communications and Film. After failing the last course by two points, he got frustrated and decided to move to New York City and give acting a try. Upon arriving in the big city he took acting classes with various personal instructors. But it was a fellow actor/struggling comedian that realized his talent and convinced him to do stand up. Following her advice, Zach found himself doing stand up under very peculiar situations. His standup career began in the back of Hamburger Harry's, a restaurant in Times Square. He also recalls standing on stools in bars around the city, performing at various coffee houses in the upper west side.

Zach has a number of theatrical and film performances to his credit. His film credits include Disney's *Out Cold*, Touchstone Pictures *Bubble Boy* and *Corky Romano*, MGM's *Heartbreakers* and *Below* for Dimension Films.

Zach's comedy training comes from HB Studios, Wallace Shawn private instruction and North Carolina School for the Arts. He performed for several years at comedy clubs such as The Improve Group in NYC, The Comic Strip, Stand Up NY and The Duplex.



## TOPICS

Humor

## TRAVELS FROM

Los Angeles, CA

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## NOTES